Wilson will be briefed about potential job killing EPA proposal

Washington, D.C. – Rep. Charlie Wilson (OH-6) will tour AEP's James M. Gavin Creek Power Plant in the Gallipolis area. Gavin is the largest electricity generator in Ohio.

The U.S. EPA is currently considering new rules to manage coal ash, a byproduct that results from burning coal to generate electricity. Wilson is concerned that the EPA is leaning in the wrong direction and that the EPA will recommend that coal ash be regulated as a hazardous waste. This has the potential to kill jobs and hike electric rates. Wilson has signed on to letters opposing this proposal, including a letter sent to EPA Administrator, Lisa Jackson, late last week.

Wilson will tour Gavin to see for himself what is at stake as the EPA deliberates.

WHO: Rep. Charlie Wilson (OH-6)

WHAT: Tour of AEP's Gavin Plant

WHERE: 7397 North State Rt. 7

Cheshire, OH 45620

Press should check in at the Guard House at the Main Entrance

WHEN: Tuesday, August 3, 2010 at 1 p.m.

WHY: The U.S. EPA will be making a decision soon that will impact Gavin, jobs and electricity consumers in the area.